

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Instead, Sinclair is pursuing its private interests, connected with government contracts to its subsidiary, Jadoo Power Systems. The public interest is forgotten by the owners/executives of Sinclair who are pursuing their own personal political and economic agendas.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.